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SUBJ: PAK-SRI LANKA TALKS AND REGIONAL NUCLEAR DECLARATION

REF: (A) ISLAMABAD 6908 (B) ISLAMABAD 6449

1. SRI LANKA'S MINISTRY OF DEFENCE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS (MDFA) CONSIDERS THAT AGHA SHAHI VISIT WENT WELL BUT DOES NOT SEEM TO ATTACH QUITE AS MUCH IMPORTANCE TO IT AS PAKISTANIS DO. (REFTELS)

2. MDFA ADDITIONAL SECRETARY TISSA WIJEYERATNE CONFIRMED, DURING JULY 31 MEETING, THAT COMMUNIQUE LANGUAGE REGARDING RENUNCIATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPON OPTION (PARAGRAPH 3 OF ISLAMABAD'S 6449) HAD NOT PREVIOUSLY APPEARED IN ANY OF GSL'S PUBLIC STATEMENTS. HE INDICATED, HOWEVER, THAT GSL WAS NOT LIKELY TO MAKE APPROACH TO INDIANS ON THIS MATTER AT ANY TIME IN NEAR FUTURE.

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3. WIJEYERATNE ALSO AGREED THAT GSL'S WILLINGNESS

TO INCLUDE IN COMMUNIQUE RECITATION OF GOP'S
POSITION ON ITS RELATIONS WITH BANGLADESH STEMMED
FROM CEYLONESE BELIEF THAT THIS SUBJECT HAD BEEN
IMPROPERLY HANDWDXD IN KINGSTON COMMUNIQUE.

4. RE INDIAN INTERNAL SITUATION, WIJEYERATNE
SAID THAT THEY HAD TOLD PAKISTANIS THAT GSL
STRONGLY FAVORS POWERFUL GOVERNMENT IN NEW DELHI
VIS A VIS STATE GOVERNMENTS BECAUSE OF CONCERN
OVER TAMIL NADU-NORTHERN SRI LANKA SITUATION.
HE ALSO NOTED THIS ATTITUDE IS REINFORCED BY
CLOSE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN NEHRU AND BANDARANIEK
FAMILIES.
VAN HOLLEN

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